

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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# **Crews Respond to Fire at Tent City**

# **Summary**

Shortly after 11:45 pm on Thursday, June 28, Nanaimo Fire Rescue crews responded to a structure fire (tent) at Nanaimo Discontent City at 1 Port Drive. Upon arrival the tent had a small smouldering fire inside where one person was sleeping, they were not injured. The cause of the fire is undetermined, however, witness accounts state it could have been a candle or a lit cigarette.

Strategic Link: The City of Nanaimo is committed to public safety.

## **Key Points**

- One person escapes injuries from fire at Discontent City.
- The public is reminded candles and smoking materials should not be left unattended and to ensure they are properly extinguished.

### **Quotes**

"In this case, the occupant of the tent is very fortunate to have escaped uninjured from this incident. Please ensure your candles and cigarettes are properly extinguished."

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